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In accordance with their duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, applicants request that the following disclosures be made of record in the above-identified application pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c). These references are also listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 (**Exhibit A**). Copies of items 1 and 2 are attached hereto as **Exhibits 1 and 2**, respectively.

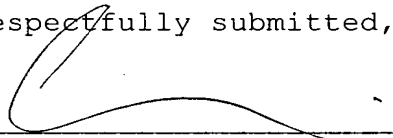
1. Cole, L.A. (1998) "hCG, its free subunits and its metabolites. Roles in pregnancy and trophoblastic disease," J. Reproductive Med. 43(1):3-10 (**Exhibit 1**); and
2. European Search Report dated March 20, 2003 (**Exhibit 2**).

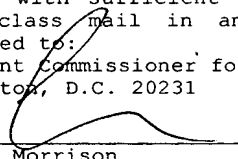
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On March 20, 2003, a European Search Report was issued in connection with European Patent Application No. EP 00 93 5949, based on PCT International Application PCT/US00/13197 which is related to the subject application, citing item 1 above, attached hereto as **Exhibit 1**, and two additional references, Kovalevskaya et al. (1999) and O'Connor et al. (1998). Copies of the Kovalevskaya and O'Connor references were previously submitted in connection with the subject application. A copy of the European Search Report is attached hereto as **Exhibit 2**.

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